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## The Protracted Meeting

We do not like to call a protracted meeting a "revival" until we really know the Christians are reviving! The common way of men who are successful in holding protracted meetings is to devote the first week, at least, to Christians. This should not be necessary, but too often it is.

Christians get numb. They forget what religion stands for. The joy of prayer and fellowship and work with God comes to be an old story and gradually they are absorbed by other things. Little difficulties and small obstacles keep them away from meeting. They allow small dislikes of the preacher, of the deacon, of the Christian neighbor to cool their zeal. They fall into sin, small sin at first and greater sins following it—and do not arouse themselves to "again do the first works," by repenting and asking forgiveness from God and man. And so it comes to pass that the Church is numb, and can do nothing for its members or for those who never come into their inheritance as children of God.

So the preacher must spend his first sermons in waking up the Church, and people are often angry at being waked up. To wake people you must shake them, throw cold water in their faces, rub them with a harsh towel, shout in their ears. We all know what it is to be waked up when we want to sleep! After professing Christians are gotten out of their numbness and dumbness the real meeting begins.

And then it is very easy work. Every sinner wishes he were saved. Every unconverted person wishes he were right with God. There are great difficulties to be overcome, great crosses to be taken up, but they are nothing as compared with the ecstasy and satisfaction that come from being right with God.

Let the preacher make the way really plain. He cannot explain the mysteries, and it is not necessary, but he can start the hymn "Trust and Obey," and we shall all fall in. Berea's opening song will be sung, we trust by many hundred hearts:

Thy message, Father, moves my heart,  
In God's great Kingdom I've a part.  
We will trust and praise and serve and love,  
In earth below and heaven above.

## Tobacco on the Snow

The carpet of pure snow which covered the world last week revealed by contrast every thing dirty and vile. If a man went across the field his footsteps were marked, and you could see whether he made a straight or crooked path.

If the house-keeper threw dirty litter near the door it was not concealed in the grass, but displayed on the white surface of the snow.

And if a man emptied a mouth full of tobacco juice it was recorded in all its foulness on the white carpet by his path.

We must suppose that all our deeds and thoughts, good and bad, are recorded in this clear and vivid manner at all times to the eyes of God and the angels.

## An Uncommon Man in a Common Community

By Secretary Marshall E. Vaughn

### Part II.—The Modern Farmer

You read in last week's issue of The Citizen a brief account of the organization work of the uncommon citizen in a common community.

Now we will follow him through some of his individual experiments on his own farm.

In the first place, he is neither an old-timer, a quack, nor a moss-back. He does not plant his potatoes in the moon nor by the moon, but he plants them in the ground by the light of the sun.

The old-time farmer was a pio-

neer—the torch-bearer of civilization, who tore from the primeval forests their glorious crown for the glory of man. His name is honored and revered for his great accomplishments but he has served his time and has been replaced by two classes of people: the moss-backs, and the modern farmers.

The moss-backs are those who inherited the customs and notions of their old time ancestors as well as their lands. They argue that the things that were good enough for

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## Tag Day Proclamation

As the town of Berea has assumed the responsibility for the mental training of its future citizens so should it be responsible for their physical preparedness to take this training.

Believing that the mental ability of each child will be greatly increased by having hot nutritious food at noontime I hereby endorse the school lunch and proclaim Saturday, January 27, as Tag Day when every citizen may share in raising funds for the equipment for a school lunch.

J. L. GAY, Mayor.

## IN OUR OWN STATE

High water caused considerable damage at Frankfort, Morehead, Nicholasville, and other Kentucky cities.

Bank deposits in Louisville aggregate close to \$75,000,000, the best figure on record. An increase of \$10,000,000 in deposits has been noted since the first of the year.

On account of being unable to procure coal the large saw and planing mill of the Clear Field Lumber Company, near Morehead, has closed down indefinitely, throwing some sixty men out of employment.

Isaac W. Bernheim, of Louisville, was elected vice president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations at the final session of the twenty-fifth biennial council in Baltimore, Thursday.

Planting of trees along the principal highways has been given an impetus all over the country. The Industrial Club, of Covington, is among the first organizations to pledge aid, and State Forester, J. E. Barton, declares he will assist in the work.

The natural gas supply at Lexington, Winchester, Mt. Sterling, and Versailles was cut off Monday because the main was broken beyond Mt. Sterling. Much suffering followed. At Lexington the Auditorium was heated with stoves and citizens were invited to go there and get warm.

Members of the Second Kentucky Regiment are among the 25,000 guardsmen designated by Maj. Gen. Funston for return home and muster out of the Federal Service. The men will be started homeward as soon as transportation facilities are provided. The three companies asked for by Gov. Stanley for protection have left El Paso for home.

### Projects "Baby Farms"

John R. Gibson, whose farm adjoins the city limits of Richmond, is projecting a "baby farm" sale. His plan is to divide his farm, which contains several hundred acres, into small tracts ranging from two to ten acres and sell them at auction. The project has aroused considerable interest, as the prevailing prices of tobacco make small tracts of land very valuable, and it has been practically impossible to buy such tracts.

### Big Power Plant

It is reported from Whitesburg that the Old Dominion Power Company, recently organized, will build a large central power plant, connecting by transmission lines the towns of Blackwood, Imboden, Appalachia, Glanmorgan, Wise, Essersville, Norton, Coeburn, Tacoma, Greenough, and other towns immediately beyond the Kentucky line in Virginia. Some of the largest mining operations in Southwestern Virginia will receive their power in this way.

### Centre College Prepares for Debate

The Centre College committee in charge of debating Monday selected the question for the annual intercollegiate debate with Transylvania. The question chosen was: "Resolved, That the Federal Government should own and control all railway and steamship lines, interstate and international, constitutionality conceded." Centre has the negative of the question.

### Middlesboro Man Gets Appointment From President

Capt. Edward N. Woodbury, Coast Artillery Corps, now stationed at Ft. Andrews, Boston, has been assigned as aid to the President for services at official receptions and

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## U. S. NEWS

Concentration of outpost troops, preliminary to the withdrawal of United States Soldiers from Mexico, began Monday.

The American Commission for Relief in Belgium will seek to raise \$150,000,000 in preparing for another year's work. Chairman H. C. Hoover, who arrived in New York from abroad, said there are 11,000,000 persons dependent upon the commission.

## CONGRESS SPEEDS UP ITS MACHINERY

Co-operate With President on Program.

### WILSON VISITS CAPITOL

Inaugurates a New Custom of Going to the Capitol Three Times a Week Until His Legislative Program is Completed.

Washington, Jan. 23.—That the administration legislative program may be completed during the present session of congress, President Wilson has inaugurated a new custom of going frequently to his room in the capitol for detailed discussions of pending bills with members of the senate and house. He has made tentative plans for spending at least an hour, three times a week, at the capitol, instead of seeing members of congress at the White House.

Leaders of the senate and house gave assurances of their willingness to co-operate in speeding up the legislative machinery.

The measures on which the president laid stress in his talks were the railroad bills, the vocational education measure, the general leasing and waterpower bills, the Porto Rico bill and revenue legislation. He insisted that all these measures be passed during the present session of congress.

A possible hitch was revealed when a group of western senators, including Senators Phelan, Pittman, Myers and Walsh, told the president the belief was general that no action on the general leasing and water power bills could be procured unless the navy department compromised in its opposition to the Phelan amendment to the leasing measure to relieve private operators on oil lands within naval reserves.

Returning to the White House for lunch after delivering his address to the senate on peace, Mr. Wilson went back to the capitol and began seeing senators and representatives and delegations in quick succession.

Besides talking over the general program with senate leaders the president received callers who took up many subjects. A committee headed by Senator Underwood and representing various commercial organizations in the south, urged the president to locate the government nitrate plant, authorized by congress at the last session, at Muscle Shoals, on the Tennessee river in Alabama.

Senator after senator as well as many members of the house called to congratulate the president on his peace address.

### ENGINE STRIKES TROOP TRAIN

Colonel in Canadian Command Killed.—Several Hurt at Toronto.

Toronto, Ontario, Jan. 23.—Colonel William Campbell MacDonald was killed instantly and a score of others were injured when a light engine backed into a troop train carrying 500 soldiers as it was leaving the union station here.

MacDonald's body was extricated from underneath the rear axle of the tender coupled to the light engine under which another man was also pinned. Engineer John Ross and fireman Charles Farmer, of the engine crew were arrested charged with manslaughter.

## ORDER 25,000 TROOPS HOME

KENTUCKY, INDIANA AND OHIO INCLUDED IN COMPANIES RELEASED FROM BORDER.

## LEAVING 50,000 ON BORDER

But They, Too, Will Be Given Their Freedom—All Organizations to Start Homeward as Soon as Transportation Facilities Can Be Provided For.

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Washington.—More than 25,000 National Guardsmen now on the Mexican border have been designated by Major General Funston for return home and muster out of the Federal service, under the order issued by the war department. All these organizations will be started homeward as soon as transportation facilities can be provided. Their departure will leave between 45,000 and 50,000 men of the guard still in the Federal service doing border patrol. War department officials continue to withhold comment on reports that the movement of General Pershing's regulars out of Mexico soon will be under way, and the statement announcing the guardsmen designated for relief does not connect these orders with the withdrawal plans in any way. The understanding has been, however, that with the return of the expedition in Mexico and readjustment of the border patrol all of the state troops gradually would be sent home.

### Report Atlantic Raider Sunk.

Pernambuco.—A Prussian commerce raider, believed to be the Vinta, which has wrought havoc with allied shipping in the last few weeks in the South Atlantic, particularly off the Brazilian coast, has been sunk by the British cruiser Glasgow, according to a generally accepted report received here.

### Under Strong Guard.

Memphis, Tenn.—Captured by the police after they had shot to death William Hooser, 50 years old, Clarence Merriman, 18 years old, and Will Hudson, 22, negroes, confessed 21 robberies and other crimes.

### Train Hits Automobile.

Jackson, Mich.—Four men were killed and one fatally injured when a Michigan Central eastbound train struck an automobile seven miles east of this city.

### Alaska Probi Bill Favored.

Washington, Jan. 23.—The house committee on territories agreed to report favorably the bill providing for prohibition in Alaska.

## TRIES TO POISON FAMILY

Demented Mother, After Trying to Kill Children, Jumps Into Water.

Monticello, Ind., Jan. 23.—Mrs. Arthur Kraay, age thirty-five, a farmer's wife, who suddenly became demented, attempted to end her own life and that of her six children by drinking iodine and forcing them to drink. One boy is in a serious condition.

After administering the poison she jumped into a horse trough full of water, dressed in night clothes, saying she wished to wash her sins away. She was brought to the county jail. It is thought she will recover.

### Phone Employees Given \$734.

Shelbyville, Ind., Jan. 23.—Local employees of the Bell Telephone company have been given bonuses totaling \$734. Employees received from \$10 to \$75 each.

## DAY IN THE LEGISLATURE

Senate.  
Afternoon session consumed almost entirely in discussion of bill to abolish capital punishment.  
Invitation extended to former President Taft to address senate Feb. 16.  
Fifteen bills introduced, one a eugenics bill and one placing legislative information department under state librarian.  
Adjourned.  
House.  
Twenty-nine bills introduced, including one for a state highway commission, with larger powers reposed in county commissioners; another compelling labels on all substitutes for leather used in shoes, and another for a police service commission for the police and fire departments of Indianapolis.  
Eight bills passed and one defeated.  
Adjourned.

## WORLD NEWS

A German raider has been active during the week in the south Atlantic off the coast of South America. Twenty-six vessels in all have been taken or destroyed. The crews were either drowned, taken prisoners or escaped. Most of the boats destroyed carried contraband of war. The raider has not yet been located.

The Yarrowdale has brought a large number of the prisoners captured into port in Germany. Among the number are some sailors from neutral nations and the U.S. Government has sent an inquiry to Germany asking if any Americans are among them.

An address of President Wilson's to the U. S. Senate has followed close upon his famous peace note and is likewise the subject of favorable comment and of bitter denunciation. At any rate, it has attracted attention on all sides.

The address outlines a plan of world peace such as the U.S. could favor. It suggests the formation of a league to enforce the peace of the world, recognizes the independence of small states as well as large ones and urges the propriety of the U.S. joining such a league.

The American Relief Commission in Belgium are asking for \$150,000,000 to carry on the work for the current year. Over 11,000,000 people are dependent on this commission for life and its call is urgent.

The Emperor of Russia has issued a note to his new prime minister, asking that his first attention be given to providing supplies both for the army and the civilian population. The resources of the Empire are boundless but they must be drawn out in large measure.

The creation of an independent Poland has led to a request by the Polish National Defense League that the U.S. take early steps to give official recognition to the new state. This raises some points of difficulty which requires delicate handling.

Switzerland has begun to feel the pressure that comes from the lack of coal which she has been accustomed to secure from Germany. It affects her system of transportation and all her factories in which coal is used.

An explosion in a large munition plant in the East End of London was felt for many miles around, completely wrecked the plant and resulted in the loss of many lives. The Government is keeping the matter as quiet as possible and details are not yet available.

It has been estimated that since the beginning of the war, munitions to the amount of a billion dollars have been shipped to Europe. This has been composed of fire-arms, cartridges, gun-powder and other kinds of explosives.

## TEUTON DRIVE AT STANDSTILL

Russians Strongly Intrrenched on Sereth.

## BRITISH GAIN IN AFRICA

Von Mackensen's Blows in Roumania Spend Their Force—German Attacks Near Kovel Routed by Muscovites—All Fronts Are Quiet.

London, Jan. 23.—On the Roumanian front the Russians appear to be strongly fortified along the line of the Sereth and von Mackensen's offensive, for the present at least, has reached the limit of its drive into Roumania. All fronts now are comparatively quiet.

Bitter, but indecisive combats have occurred at several points on the Russian front. German forces attacked in the Baranovichi and Kovel regions, but the assaults failed, according to the reports from Petrograd.

British troops in their efforts to surround the German forces in German East Africa are making considerable progress, according to the statement of the British official press by

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No business man in any town should allow the home paper printed without his name and business mentioned somewhere in its columns. This means all kinds of business, general stores, dry goods, grocers, furniture dealers and professional